

State of Mississippi

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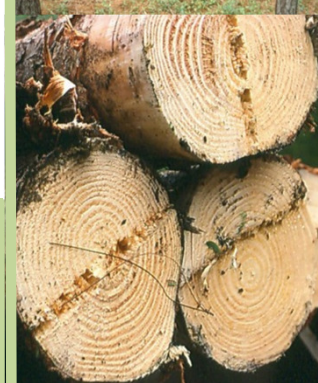
Agriculture Fact Sheet Forestry 2014



- Mississippi ranks #3 in the United States in pulpwood production.
- 19,700,000 acres.
- \$1.28 billion value of production in 2014.
- 125,000 forest landowners.
- Representation of land in forest production:
 - 70% - private, non-industrial owners
 - 19% - industry owned
 - 11% - government owned national forests

- Mississippi's forestry sector includes:
 - Pulp mills
 - Paper mills
 - Wood furniture
 - Upholstered furniture
 - Wood partitions and fixtures
 - Timber production and harvesting
 - Reconstituted wood product mills
 - Wood manufacturing firms
- Mississippi is blessed with climactic conditions and soils that are conducive to highly productive forests. From these productive forests, Mississippians derives numerous benefits including forest products of all kinds, clean water and air, abundant wildlife, natural beauty, and unlimited recreational opportunities.
- Forty two percent of commercial forestland in Mississippi is capable of producing over 120 cubic feet of wood volume per acre annually, and another 40 percent is capable of producing over 85 cubic feet per acre annually. Nationwide, only 23 percent of the commercial forestland is capable of producing over 85 cubic feet per year.

Source: Mississippi State University & USDA



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